

**What is claimed is:**

1. A computer program used to direct a computer to obtain a journal as an update result from a source database, and distribute the journal to a destination database, comprising:

obtaining the journal from the source database;

obtaining transaction identification information for identifying a transaction of updating the source database when the journal is obtained;

counting a number of times the source database is updated;

rearranging the journal according to a count value and the transaction identification information before distributing a journal; and

distributing the rearranged journal to the destination database for each transaction of updating the source database according to the transaction identification information.

2. The computer program according to claim 1, further comprising:

associating the count value with the

transaction identification information obtained  
when the count value is obtained, and storing the  
count value and the transaction identification  
information in a journal management information  
5 storage unit;

associating the journal with the transaction  
identification information obtained when the  
journal is obtained, and storing the journal and  
the transaction identification information in a  
10 journal storage unit;

at a predetermined timing, obtaining  
transaction identification information associated  
with a smallest count value from the journal  
management information storage unit; and

15 selecting a journal corresponding to the  
transaction identification information obtained  
from the journal management information storage  
unit in journals stored in the journal storage unit  
as a journal to be distributed.

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3. A journal obtaining-distributing method for  
use by a computer obtaining a journal as a update  
result from a source database, and distributing the  
journal to a destination database, comprising:

25 obtaining the journal from the source

database;

obtaining transaction identification  
information for identifying a transaction of  
updating the source database when the journal is

5 obtained;

counting a number of times the source database  
is updated;

rearranging the journal according to a count  
value and the transaction identification  
10 information before distributing a journal; and

distributing the rearranged journal to the  
destination database for each transaction of  
updating the source database according to the  
transaction identification information.

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4. The method according to claim 3, further  
comprising:

associating the count value with the  
transaction identification information obtained  
20 when the count value is obtained, and storing the  
count value and the transaction identification  
information in a journal management information  
storage unit;

associating the journal with the transaction  
25 identification information obtained when the

journal is obtained, and storing the journal and the transaction identification information in a journal storage unit;

at a predetermined timing, obtaining  
5 transaction identification information associated with a smallest count value from the journal management information storage unit; and

selecting a journal corresponding to the transaction identification information obtained  
10 from the journal management information storage unit in journals stored in the journal storage unit as a journal to be distributed.

5. A journal obtaining-distributing apparatus  
15 which obtains a journal as an update result from a source database, and distributes the journal to a destination database, comprising:

a journal obtaining unit obtaining the journal from the source database;

20 an identification information acquisition unit obtaining transaction identification information for identifying a transaction of updating the source database when the journal is obtained;

a counter counting a number of times the  
25 source database is updated;

a journal rearrangement unit rearranging the journal according to the count value and the transaction identification information before distributing a journal; and

- 5 a journal distribution unit distributing the obtained journal to the destination database for each transaction of updating the source database.